

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING UPDATE

Concord's 2003 Annual Town Meeting began on Monday, April 28 and continued on Tuesday, April 29, Monday, May 5, Tuesday, May 6, Wednesday, May 7, and concluded on Thursday, May 8. Here are the final results of the six sessions.

ARTICLE	DATE	SUBJECT	RESULT
1	4/28	Choose Town Officers	Passed
2	4/28	Hear Reports & Portions of Consent Calendar (See Below)	Passed
3	4/28	Meeting Procedure (Rule of the Meeting governing requirements on motions and amendments made under articles concerned with expenditures)	Passed
4	4/28	Secret Ballot Voting Procedure (minimum of 100 voters required)	Passed
5	4/28	Ratify Personnel Board Classification Actions	Passed under Article 2 Consent Calendar—2/3 vote
6	4/28	Classification & Compensation Plan for Administrative/Clerical/Library and Laboring Employees	Passed
7	4/28	Classification & Compensation Plan for Managerial and Professional Employees	Passed
8	4/28	Personnel Bylaw Amendment – Sick Leave Payoff	Passed Under Article 2 Consent Calendar—2/3 vote
9	4/28	Town Budget (\$22,806,544, with \$350,000 of this amount contingent on Proposition 2½ override approval at May 13 special election—Level 1A)	Passed
10	4/28	Public School Budget (\$22,854,899, with \$1,628,852 of this amount contingent on Proposition 2½ override approval at May 13 special election—Level 2A)	Passed
11	4/28	Regional School Budgets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Concord-Carlisle Regional High School Budget (\$11,389,779, with \$724,404 of this amount contingent on Proposition 2½ override approval at May 13 special election—Level 3A)</li> <li>Minuteman Regional Vocational Technical School District Assessment (\$317,644)</li> </ul>	Both Passed
12	4/29	Free Cash Use to Reduce Tax Levy (\$740,000)	Passed
13	4/29	Unpaid Bills	No Motion
14	4/28	Property Tax Exemption	Passed under Article 2 Consent Calendar--2/3 vote
15	4/29	Property Tax Exemption—Adjustment to Clause 41C—Elderly Exemption	Passed
16	4/29	Light Plant Payment in Lieu of Taxes (\$340,000)	Passed (Taken off Consent Calendar)
17	4/29	Light Plant Expenditures	Passed
18	4/28	Road Repair Revolving Fund Expenditures (not to exceed \$47,000)	Passed under Article 2 Consent Calendar—2/3 vote
19	4/28	Solid Waste Disposal Fund Expenditures	Passed under Article 2 Consent Calendar—2/3 vote
20	4/29	Sewer System Expenditures	Passed (Taken off Consent Calendar)
21	4/29	Sewer Improvement Fund Expenditures	Passed (Taken off Consent Calendar)
22	4/29	Water System Expenditures	Passed (Taken off Consent Calendar)
23	4/29	2003 Road Program (\$600,000 borrowing authorization)	Passed by 2/3 vote
24	4/29	Community Preservation Act Acceptance (by petition)	Defeated (221 in favor; 282 opposed)
25	4/29	Community Preservation Committee (by petition)	No Motion

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26	4/29	Authorization for Light Plant to Provide Telecommunications Services (1 <sup>st</sup> approval – subsequent Town Meeting approval required)	Passed by 2/3 vote
27	5/5	Bylaw Amendment—Removal of Overhead Utilities	Passed by 2/3 vote
28	5/5	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Personal Wireless Communications Facility (Article split into two motions for voting)	28A---Passed by 2/3 vote 28B---Passed on 2/3 vote
29	5/5	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Moratorium on Development of State-Owned Land Declared Surplus and Sold, Located Along Route 2	Passed by 2/3 vote
30	5/5	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Two-Family, Multi-Family or Additional Dwelling Unit (by petition)	Did Not Pass
31	5/5	Emerson Hospital Parking (by petition)	Passed by 2/3 vote, with 364 voting in favor and 129 opposed
32	5/5	Demolition Notification Bylaw	No Motion
33	5/5	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Increased Sideyard Setback	No Motion
34	5/5	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Accessory Building Setback Modification	No Motion
35	5/5	Amend Historic District Commission Appointment Process	No Motion
36	5/5	Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan	Original Motion Passed (three Motions to amend failed to pass)
37	5/5	Design Funding for Phase 1 of the Comprehensive Wastewater Management Plan (\$300,000 from Sewer Fund + \$300,000 from tax levy)	Passed by 2/3 vote
38	5/6	Funding Harvey Wheeler Community Center	No Motion
39	5/6	Concord Free Public Library—Funding for Renovations (\$400,000 borrowing authorization)	Passed by 2/3 vote
40	5/6	Request for Appropriation from Land Fund (\$13,000 to Concord Housing Authority)	Passed
41	5/6	Land Fund Appropriation for Affordable Housing on Baker Avenue (\$50,000)	Passed by 2/3 vote
42	5/6	Implementation of Affordable Housing Trust	Passed
43	5/6	Town Affordable Housing Plan (by petition)	Passed
44	5/6	Amend Charter to Provide for Elected Board of Assessors (by petition)	Did Not Pass (2/3 vote required) – 257 voting in favor and 183 opposed
45	5/6	Proposal to Hire an Outside Appraisal Firm (by petition)	Passed with 152 voting in favor and 118 opposed
46	5/6	Property Appraisal Guidelines Made Public (by petition)	Passed
47	5/7	Land Acquisition—Wagner Property, Laws Brook Road (\$25,000)	Passed by 2/3 vote
48	5/7	Henry David Thoreau Birth House—Authorization to Sell	Passed by 2/3 vote
49	5/7	Disposition of Real Estate—3A Hill Street (\$2,000 sale price)	Passed by 2/3 vote
50	5/7	Protecting the Historic Hanscom Area (by petition)	Passed
51	5/7	Clean Up Starmet Superfund Site (by petition)	Passed
52	5/7	Concord-Carlisle Regional School District Design Funds Capital Construction	No Motion
53	5/7	Concord-Carlisle Regional School District Additional Parking	No Motion
54	5/7	Fiscal Year 2003 Supplemental Appropriation (\$250,000 from Free Cash)	Passed
55	5/7	Thoreau Elementary School Modular Classroom Building (\$220,000 from borrowing)	Passed by 2/3 vote
56	5/7	Willard Elementary School Resurface Playground Area (\$75,000 from borrowing)	Passed by 2/3 vote
57	5/7	Concord Middle School (Peabody & Sanborn Buildings)	Passed by 2/3 vote

		Renovations (\$425,000 from borrowing)	
<b>ARTICLE</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>RESULT</b>
58	5/7	Ripley School Building Roof Repair and Replacement (\$395,000 from borrowing)	Passed by 2/3 vote
59	5/7	Ripley School Parking Lot Paving (\$30,000 from borrowing)	Passed by 2/3 vote
60	5/7	Design Funds for Thoreau Elementary School Building Project (\$45,000 from funds remaining as authorized under Art. 29 of the 2000 Annual Town Meeting)	Passed (one Motion to amend was defeated)
61	5/7	Rescission of Borrowing Authorization --- 2000 School Design Funds (\$1,005,000 of the authorization is unissued and has now been rescinded as a result of this vote)	Passed
62	4/28	Rescind Authorized but Unissued Borrowing Authorizations made under Articles 51 (\$60,000) and 56 (\$25,000) of the 2002 Annual Town Meeting	Passed under Article 2 Consent Calendar—2/3 vote
63	5/8	Home Rule Petition—Excluding Concord from Filed Sub-Bid Law	Passed
64	5/8	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Frontage Exception Clarification	Passed by 2/3 vote
65	5/8	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Lot Width Clarification	Passed by 2/3 vote
66	5/8	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Revise Flood Plain Conservancy District Map Reference	Passed by 2/3 vote
67	5/8	Zoning Bylaw Amendment—Special Dimensional Exception for Frontage, Lot Width and/or Lot Area	Passed by 2/3 vote with 118 voting in favor, and 37 opposed (earlier Motion to amend was defeated)
68	5/8	To Prohibit Smoking in Bars in Concord (by petition)	Passed
69	5/8	Amendment to Concord Town Charter—Town Manager Residency (by petition)	Passed by majority vote, with 91 voting in favor and 65 opposed
70	5/8	Resolution Opposing an Invasion of Iraq (by petition)	Passed (earlier Motion to amend was defeated)
71	5/8	Street Acceptance--Fuller Lane/Peabody Court	Passed by 2/3 vote
72	5/8	Street Acceptance—Baker Avenue	Passed by 2/3 vote

The meeting was dissolved at 10:28 pm on Thursday, May 8, 2003 after concluding the business under 72 Articles. There were 912 registered voters in attendance on 4/28; 547 in attendance on 4/29; 588 in attendance on 5/5; 504 in attendance on 5/6; 371 in attendance on 5/7; and 187 in attendance on 5/8.